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MADRID, AUGUST 30.

A Nordef from the King was published on the 19th of this month at Malaga, enjoining all the Irish inhabitants to retire immediately twenty miles up the country. It is believed that orders have been sent to put all the [illegible] frontiers of Portugal, in the best state of [illegible].

Sept. 10. People differ very much whether the [illegible] will keep at sea or not, some say they will keep at sea all the winter. The Spaniards will not go away as it was thought they would. It is said the combined fleets cost twenty millions per month.

PARIS, *Sept.* 21. The combined fleets consisting of fifty one ships of the line, including the Ardent taken from the English, and the squadron of observation of 16 men of war, anchored in the road of Brest, the 14th instant. These ships are laying in fresh provisions, and are afterwards to put to sea again.

Count D'Orvilliers being in too bad a state of health to permit him to continue the command of the combined fleet, has obtained the King's leave to resign, and his Majesty has appointed Count Duchaffault, Lieutenant General of the Navy, to succeed him.

UTRECHT, *Sept.* 23. We have accounts from Copenhagen, that it is reported, that the Imperialists having taken possession of the Islands of Nicobar, in the East Indies, to the S. W. of Sumatra, which causes much astonishment, as they were always reputed to belong to the King of Denmark.

LONDON, *September* 27.

CERTAIN advices were received on Saturday of the French fleet being safe at anchor in Brest harbour.

Extract of a letter from St Kitt's, *July* 31.

"The following is a list of the ships which fell into the hands of the French at Grenada, viz. the Rachel and Betsey, for Leith, with 130 hogsheads of sugar on board; the Betsey, Barbe, for Glasgow, with 40 hogsheads of ditto; Elizabeth, Rogers, with 400 hogsheads of rum for Quebec; and the Lark, Smith, with 400 hogsheads of rum for Georgia. This last had been laying 14 days at St. George's, in Granville bay, waiting for an opportunity to escape. The Hope, Jones, with 400 hogsheads of rum for Quebec, and the Conference, Cox, were also taken."

Advice is received from the Grenades, that last year they made in that island upwards of 30,000 hogsheads of sugar, most of which is fallen into the hands of the French.

On Thursday next will be issued from the bank of England, 1,400,000 pounds exchequer bills. The bills will be for 100 pounds each, and bear an interest of three pence per diem, which is near five per cent.

At the fire on Saturday morning in Crow's Street, Wapping, four houses were burnt down, and a corn magazine; the assistance of the firemen and engines prevented a great conflagration, which the neighbourhood was threatened.

Extract of a letter from Scarborough, *Sept.* 21.

"Yesterday a ship (a two decker) a frigate, a sloop, and a cutter, appeared about a mile off the Pier, supposed to be French. They fired at several ships, two or two, and obliged two others to run into harbour, carrying their rigging and sails by keeping a constant fire after them; they then steered their course to the northward."

A letter from Sunderland, dated the 20th of September says, that an express arrived there the 18th from Aymouth, with information, that Paul Jones was off there with five sail of ships of war and 2000 troops on board; that on the 19th they appeared in Sunderland, and came up within two miles, which put the inhabitants into great confusion, as they expected them to land every hour, or destroy the ships in the harbour. The inhabitants and soldiers got immediately under arms, and continued so at the writing of the letter, as they were still in sight."

On Saturday noon two Gentlemen of the corporation of Hull arrived express at the Admiralty, with the alarming account, that the celebrated American captain, Paul Jones, had entered the river Humber on Thursday last, and chased a vessel to within a mile of the pier, where she sunk, burnt, and destroyed a fine sail of valuable vessels, which threw the whole town and neighbourhood into the utmost consternation, as a very few men in armed boats might have laid the town in ashes. He had taken nine or ten colliers and other vessels a day or two before he appeared at Hull; one of which being left to the charge of only four men, her former crew rose upon them, and carried the vessel into a port near Hull; and which men state the strength of his squadron to be as follows:

A Bolton built frigate, with forty guns upon one deck (Jones's ship) a French ship (an old Indiaman) of forty four guns, two American frigates, of thirty two guns each, new, one twenty gun ship, two brigantines of eighteen guns, and two small tenders.

Some of this squadron conducted the prizes they had made to the coast of France, and returned to Hull the Friday noon, attended by other Dunkirk privateers.

From the four captured Americans it was discovered, that this fleet sailed (with stores for three months) from Brest the beginning of August; and that two other small squadrons were to sail [illegible] for the coasts of Ireland and Wales, [illegible] all in the service of the Congress, and [illegible] French seamen on board.

The Serapis man of war lost her mainmast, bowsprit, and mizen top-mast before she struck; and the Countess of Scarborough made an exceeding [illegible] defence against one of the thirty two guns [illegible]. The enemy's forty four gun ship was not in the action, and the Serapis struck to Jones's ship and the other thirty two gun frigate.

Expresses also arrived on Saturday, from Sunderland, stating, that Paul Jones had taken sixteen sail of colliers.

In consequence of the capture of so many colliers, and the interception of the trade, the price of coals will be enormous.

The land forces of Great Britain (including those acted in America) will next year exceed the present establishment by 30,000 men.

The amazing efforts made by France for the re-establishment of her marine, will appear from hence, that D'Orvilliers has ships of the line 32; D Estaing 26; Le Perouselle, at Mauritius 3; fitting out at Toulon 6; ditto at Rochfort 4; in all 71, besides others that are on the stocks, but will not be ready for service 1780, and they have no less than 20 frigates, each of 36 guns, now building in Corsica.

Extract of a letter from Newcastle, *September* 23.

"The little squadron commanded by Paul Jones, after leaving the Firth of Forth, directed its course along the coast southward, and excited no small fears in the inhabitants along those as they passed. About five on Sunday afternoon they appeared off Yarmouth, and after parading a while in the offing, proceeded onwards to Sunderland, and so much alarmed the inhabitants of that place, that many of them immediately had their valuable effects buried in the earth, or conveyed up the country." The militia here beat to arms, and with many of the town's people lined the shore until the next morning: But no descent was attempted, the enemy continued their course to the southward.

"The Emerald Frigate of 32 guns appeared off Sunderland on Monday morning, when four armed boats were sent off to her, to give information of the above squadron; the sea running exceeding high at the time made the spectators on shore fear much for their safety, but happily they effected their purpose, and were kindly received on board.

"Monday the Contest sailed from Shields and joined the Emerald frigate, to join quest of the squadron.

"The following particulars are from the [illegible] tion of the master of the Speedwell [illegible] which was taken and ransomed by the [illegible] and who on the oath to the following [illegible] Mayor of this town on West Cliff.

"Sunday last, about four o'clock [illegible] bar, the Speedwell sloop of Hull, [illegible] of Chatham, were taken by the Pallas [illegible] frigate, of 34 nine pounders, [illegible] decked ship of 44 eighteen pounders [illegible] Paul Jones, and a crew of 29 [illegible] the Vengeance. After taking them [illegible] the mast of the Pallas disagreed [illegible] turns, Jones proposed to turn the brig [illegible] and to send her into Shields harbour, [illegible] Mather of the Pallas would not consent, the [illegible] proposed to ransom the sloop, [illegible] with child on board, to which Jones [illegible] consent; however, the next day, about 12 [illegible] of the land, between Scarborough and Flamborough, the brig was plundered and sunk, and the sloop [illegible] for 3000l. the mate taken before [illegible] or two, and the Pallas three or four [illegible] and a number of other prisoners [illegible] 10 ships that had been taken and [illegible] master of the sloop said he was informed [illegible] 300 marines on board. Jones declared [illegible] were to ransom none, but to burn, [illegible] The master of the Pallas, in the [illegible] himself thus: "Denis Nicholas Cottineau [illegible] logues, Captain of a man of war in the [illegible] United States of America, and commander [illegible] American frigate the Pallas."—They hoisted [illegible] colours, but the Captain of the sloop [illegible] had also American and Swedish colours [illegible].

Extract of a letter from Hull, *September* [illegible].

"On examination of one of the [illegible] from Paul Jones, we learn, that he had plundered board for every part of this coast, from Edinburgh to Harwich, and that he had taken 25 sail of vessels, some he had ransomed, and others sunk. He declared that he had 500 men on board his own ship when he left Brest; and that the complements of the whole of all were above 2000; that they had provisions for three months, and an amazing quantity of military stores, as shot and gunpowder; that the seamen were exercised daily with small arms, in case of their [illegible] as a debarkation was intended when [illegible] place and opportunity offered; that the [illegible] the crews were English and Irish, [illegible] out of the prisons at Brest and St. Maloes, [illegible] prisoner was offered his liberty to [illegible] there were very few Americans, [illegible] French, and some neutrals as Dutch and [illegible] they gave but small bounties at first for the men to

gater, as the promises that were made them that they should all return with fortunes, and a great deal of that noble growing treasure they were obliged to pay very handsomely for them, and some of the ships were obliged to come away without the compliment intended, as they all brought more away than they had need to work the ship and fight the guns, in order to be the better enabled to man the prizes they should take, and by that reduce their proper complement in case of meeting with a powerful enemy."

"The master of a sloop from Harwich, who arrived yesterday in the Pool, saw on Saturday last, no less than eleven sail of men of war going in search of Paul Jones, and among them was the Edgar of seventy four guns.

Hunter and Knox must whitewash Lord George Germaine, and say, that the burning the towns lately in America, was not done by his orders. Falsehood agrees with all their characters

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman in Shields, *to his friend in* Edinburg *September* 20.

"Yesterday this place was very much alarmed by the appearance of several large French privateers upon the coast. I counted six, two of which did not carry less than 40 guns each. They captured a brig and a sloop within sight, and chased a fleet of loaded colliers, which luckily escaped them by running into [illegible]. They approached so near the harbour that the inhabitants thought they intended to land; the farmers drove their cattle off the coast, and several people fled from their houses.

"Yesterday Lord Sandwich informed some Ruslia merchants who waited upon him, that twenty of his majesty's ships were sent in quest of Paul Jones.

[illegible]. The Baltick fleet of 70 sail, under convoy of the Serapis and Scarborough, taken by Paul Jones, made all, on the coast of the en[illegible] Scarborough buy, think all got safe

[illegible], who commanded the Serapis of 44 guns taken by Paul Jones, has appointed to the command of 44 guns, lately launched at Lime[illegible] fitting out there for sea, and was coming [illegible] station in the North sea to go on board of

[illegible] Thomas Williams, Esq; to John [illegible] of Liverpool, dated Tristchia, Sept. [illegible] this to inform you that the Irish [illegible] is in the channel, last Fifeguard this [illegible] is gone either to the coast of Ireland or [illegible] I think rather to the latter, as they [illegible] on board, and were not [illegible] land [illegible] took ten sail of sloops [illegible] [illegible] was the Old George, [illegible] to [illegible], ransomed for 300l. a sloop [illegible] of the Baron Longwair, also ransomed. [illegible] of the sloops she stript. She [illegible] 200 feet into the town, wanted 4000l. [illegible] carried some six pounders, one of which [illegible] here. Some say she is called the [illegible], formerly belonging to Ruth. She [illegible] manned with Irish, English, and Welsh."

The [illegible] Friends, from Liverpool to New York, [illegible] by the Dunkirk privateer, [illegible], in Ballinan's bay in the island of [illegible] the first part he also took the Francisco de [illegible], Master, taken before by the Defiance, [illegible], belonging to Liverpool, laden with [illegible], and dollars; the dollars were landed [illegible] the Black Prince captured her.

Yesterday an express arrived at the Admiralty with [illegible] that the Jamaica fleet, consisting of 200 sail, [illegible] to London, Bristol, Liverpool, Lancaster, and [illegible], was safe arrived off Plymouth.

Twenty seven sail of ships from Jamaica, bound to Bristol, are arrived there, and mention that the ships bound to London are put into Corke with only ei[illegible] for their convoy. Five sail belonging to the above port are missing, viz. the Ann, Bundy; Wilson, Smith; Virginia, Shelby; Polly, Phillips; and Meredith, M'Donald. The Dorothy and Mary, Howard, from Jamaica to London, is lost in the gulph of Florida.

The following is said to be a state of the force we [illegible] at Gibraltar and Minorca At Gibraltar [illegible], Boyd's, Wilk's, and Baugh's regiments of foot; La Motte's, Reden's, and Harden[illegible] regiments of Hanoverians, and the Manchester [illegible], making in the whole, about 5000 men fit for actual service.

At Minorca, Eglinton's and Morris's regiments of foot; Prince Ernest's and Gohlacker's regiments of Hanoverians, making in the whole, 2500 men fit for service.

The London gazette has made the most of the Penobscot business; and the ministerial runners and writers, magnify it as much as they can. They have so few victories to rejoice at, that we could pardon their exultations, if we did not know that there was more real cause for weeping than rejoicing. The only thing that Sir Henry Clinton has been able to do during this whole campaign, was getting possession of "that important post Stony Point, up the North river." And General Washington watches his opportunity; takes it by surprize, with all the cannon, mortars, &c. carries them all off, and then dismantles it. This is another Trenton affair. With this difference, the Hessians at Trenton were made prisoners. The garrison at Stony Point were put to the sword, above four hundred. This was in retaliation for certain cruelties committed by our soldiers last year. These massacres were too bad to be related, even in our Scotch gazette. Of one of these massacres, some English officers said "it was fortunately quite dark, and they only heard it; if it had been day light they could not have bore the sight." The Scotch officers thought there was no need of it. The refugees alone rejoiced.

The gazette is silent respecting Powles Hook. Is it not taken by the Americans? And were not the troops found in it put to the sword?

The Ministers at length have thought proper to give the publick some account of General Prevost's business; but why have they not published General Prevost's letter? That letter in the gazette is not his; and they have artfully put his name to the return, not to the letter, to cover the deception. Fie upon such dirty tricks!

Notwithstanding all the puffing made about Sir George Collier's success, taking the retreat of General Prevost into the scale, the whole seems to be no more than a drawn battle; for if we have conquered by sea, the Americans have conquered by land.

Extract of a letter from Port Glasgow, *Sept.* 25

"Two French cutters of 16 and 18 guns, have paraded St. George's channel, and no longer ago than Sunday last, one of the cutters (for the other is gone north among the herring busses, and has taken and destroyed several that we have already heard of) cut out of a bay, in the island of Jura, a rich Spanish prize from New Spain, with 17,000 dollars on board, besides a rich cargo of hat wool, &c. also a letter of marque ship belonging to Liverpool with a valuable West India cargo; both sell'd, without exaggeration, worth at [illegible],000. The cutter mounted 16 six pounders, [illegible] men. Besides the above, the southern[illegible] took and ran[illegible] a brig belonging to Saltcoats, [illegible] sloops belonging to Greenock, and one to Liverpool, all kelp loaded; besides sundry others. The Black Prince, I much doubt, has by this time made as many prizes among the busses as the [illegible] customers for. You may rely upon the certainty of this information"

BOSTON, *December* 2.

WE hear that the ship Jason (in a late cruise commanded by the brave Capt. Manly) is taken by the Pearl frigate, after an obstinate engagement of four glasses, and carried into St. John's Newfoundland. It is reported the Jason had 18 killed and 12 wounded. It is also reported the Pearl had seven killed, and a number wounded. The particulars of this naval combat have not yet come to hand.

We hear that two privateers, one belonging to Salem, and the other to Marblehead, being in concert, in the bay of Fundy, fell in with, and have captured the whole fleet, consisting of seven sail, bound from Halifax for Penobscot, laden with stores, &c. The convoy, included in the above, arrived at Salem last Friday morning.

We hear the State of New Hampshire have most equitably and wisely repealed the law that enabled a man to discharge a debt in silver, upon his paying the creditor the same nominal sum in paper; and have empowered their Judges not barely to sit in the seat of nominal justice, but really to dispense it between man and man. They were sensible that the law they have so honourably repealed, was in its operation, a crying sin: That particularly it pointed the eyes of the widow and orphan against the government that enacted it, and that the cry was loud and piercing enough to make the ears even of a pagan to tingle. They were fully sensible, that it must be a flagrant scandal upon any government to continue a law which the common feelings of humanity would never allow to be executed; and according to which no jury with the least spark of conscience or honour could ever give their verdict.

From a late London *paper.*

Lord Sandwich has lately wrote to Russia, earnestly imploring that she would send us some ships of the line, and promising to return them soon, *safe and sound.* Russia, no doubt, recollects, with all Europe, the peculiar talent of our fair Lord of the Admiralty, to present *his ships safe and sound.* She gave for answer, that she had no ships to spare, and advised us to return to good humour and make peace.

Extract of a letter from Dublin, *July* 25.

"Although Great Britain seems to have afforded this kingdom a little relief, in taking a part of our [illegible] into her own pay, yet our most ingenious politicians regard this as an act of necessity, rather than kindness. The English Ministers have loaded Ireland with taxes of all kinds, and particularly with pensions, they are afraid of seeing a number of their creatures displayed in our list, becoming at length [illegible], and retarding the progress of their glorious [illegible]. They have therefore, thought proper [illegible] them at their own charge, as their mercenary [illegible] we are allowed to think that we owe this [illegible] from Britain to our own firmness, and to her fear, rather than her compassion for us.

"The liberty which England has granted us to plant tobacco in this kingdom, only proves that she despairs of regaining her colonies in America, particularly those of Virginia and Maryland, and that she is afraid this important branch of commerce will be engrossed by France, and entirely lost to herself. Our tyrants tremble at the prospect of being one day reduced to receive this production at the hands of her unnatural enemies. It is still, therefore, to a motive of interest that we owe this favour.

"The Irish nation is now fully determined vigorously to oppose the importation, not only of all merchandize manufactured in England, but also of every article of necessity or luxury, which she can furnish for herself. Those principles universally adopted, and supported with perseverence, will be sources of prosperity to this unhappy kingdom; and our unrighteous masters who oppress us, will repent their having treated us as enemies."

We have just received a piece of intelligence, well authenticated, that part of our prisoners in Canada, are lately sent off, it is said, to England; those remaining, officers and soldiers, are ordered to close confinement.—Our enemies begin to doubt the fidelity of the Canadians.

By recent accounts from New York we learn, that an embarkation of troops lately took place there; and from many corroborating circumstances, we have reason to think a large, if not general embarkation will shortly take place.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Jan.* 15.

ONE day last week, a house in James City, on the road about twelve miles from hence, known by the name of Fox's ordinary, caught fire, and in a short time was entirely consumed.

Monday last were seen, between Jamestown and Swan's Point, two boats, one with two, the other with four men on board, in the greatest distress imaginable, and not able to reach either shore for the vast quantities of ice then floating in the river. The Captain of one of our state ships sent his barge with twelve men to their assistance, who, after rowing many hours, until the sun was almost down, without getting to them, were obliged to return; and as the boats have not been since heard of, it is feared the poor men perished.

The Tempest is on shore between Hog island and Cobham, a brig and a snow are aground near Mulberry island, and the privateer brig Jefferson, is sunk off Jamestown. She was a fine new vessel, just finished and ready to sail on a cruise.

For a week past we have had the most severe weather that has been felt in this country upwards of forty years.

We hear that the Hon. Major General Gates is on his way to the southward.

A correspondent has favoured us with the following account of the weather.

THERMOMETER.

Days.	7 A. M.	Noon.	3 P. M.	Winds.
7	15	18	20	N.W.
8	14	16	18	N W
9	16	20	23	Wb, N
10	27	29	31	W
11	33	34	34	S. W.
12	26	22	16	W
13	6*	16	17	N W.
14	10	16		W.

* Within two degrees of the bulb.

DEATHS] Mrs. AGNES SMITH, near York, in the 75th year of her age.
Mrs. Magee, of King William.
Mr JONATHAN PROSSER, } near this city.
Mr GEORGE HUGHES }

In the HOUSE *of* SENATORS. *Dec* 22, 1779.

ORDERED, that the clerk of this House do publish in each of the Virginia Gazettes, for four weeks successively, previous to the next general election, a list of the districts as stated N. 3, the members for which having served the term as mentioned in the allotting of the districts, are by the constitution of government declared to be displaced

WILLIAM DREW, C. S.

CLASS, No. III

Districts. 1st. Dinwiddie, Southampton, and Suffex.
2d Brunswick, Washington, Montgomery, and Kentuckey.
3d. Hanover and Caroline.
4th Essex King William and King & Queen.
5th. Prince William and Fairfax.
6th. Yohogania [Monongalia] and Ohio.

The sheriffs of the several counties composing these districts, are directed to take notice, that at the general election of Delegates for their said counties in the month of April next, they are also to hold an election for a Senator agreeable to law. And as many sheriffs have been heretofore very remiss in making their returns in the manner prescribed by law, it is expected, that the sheriffs in each district will punctually meet within ten days after every election, compare their polls, make their returns according to law, and forward them without delay to the clerk. The House will proceed with the utmost severity against every delinquent.

NATHANIEL HARRISON, S. S.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Jan* 13, 1780.

LOST this morning, between Mrs. *Vobe*'s tavern and the house of Mr. *Lockey*, a pair of saddle bags, containing a pound of pepper, a shirt, a stock, and sundry books and accounts wrote in *French*. Whoever delivers the said saddle bags, books, and accounts at Mr. *Lockey*'s, shall receive a reward of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS. (1t)

STRAYED from the subscriber in *James City*, near *Williamsburg*, a sorrel mare, about 14 hands high, hanging mane, undocked, branded on the near buttock B, has a small white spot on her shoulder, remarkable good spirit, and had on a small bell, locked with a chain. Whoever delivers the said mare to the subscriber, shall receive 100 dollars reward.

(1) WILLIAM COLE, Jun.

N. B. I have lost a black leather POCKETBOOK with bonds, notes of hand, and other accounts, to which I will give a reward of 40 dollars W C

RUN away from the subscriber some time last *September*, a negro fellow named CHARLES, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, 37 or 38 years old, when he went away a yellow jacket, greyish great coat, and sail duck trousers, he has remarkable short teeth which he keeps very dirty, a scar on his forehead, and is very fond of playing on the banger. Whoever takes up the said negro and delivers him to the subscriber living in *Nansemond* county, near *Suffolk*, shall have fifty dollars reward, if more than 25 miles, seventy five dollars.

(1) JOHN GILES

TAKEN up in *York* county a black horse, 9 or 10 years old, about 4 feet 7½ inches high, with a hanging mane and short switch tail, no brand perceivable, and has a little white on his left hind foot. The owner is desired to take him away.

(1) CHARLES M. GRAVES.

By his Excellency Thomas Jefferson, *Esq; Governour or Chief Magistrate of the commonwealth of* Virginia.

WHEREAS the exportation of provisions from this state will be attended with manifest injury to the United States, by supplying the enemy, and by rendering it difficult for the publick agents and contractors to procure supplies for the American troops, and will moreover give encouragement to engrossers and monopolizers to prosecute their baneful practices, I have therefore thought fit, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of state, to issue this my proclamation for laying an embargo on provisions; and I do hereby lay an embargo on provisions, viz. on all beef, pork, bacon, wheat, indian corn, peafe, or other grain, or flour or meal made of the same, to continue until the first day of May next. And I do hereby strictly prohibit all masters, masters and commanders of vessels, and all other persons whatsoever within this state, from loading on board any vessel for exportation, and from exporting all or any of the above species of provisions, by land or water, from the date hereof during the term aforesaid under pain of incurring the penalties inflicted by the act of assembly, entitled, "An act to empower the Governour and Council to lay an embargo for a limited time," except as in the said act is excepted. And I do hereby strictly charge and command all naval officers and others, in their respective departments, to exert their best endeavours to the end that this embargo be strictly observed.

GIVEN under my hand this 30th *day of* November, 1779.

THOMAS JEFFERSON.

To be SOLD to the highest bidder for ready money, in Elizabeth City *county, on the premises, on* Tuesday *the* 1st *of* February *next,*

THAT famous plantation and beautiful situation lying on *Hampton* river, and known by the name of *Little England*, containing about 170 acres; which will be laid off in parcels, or lots, by the commissioners. At the same time will be sold, that pleasant and well known place called *Little Scotland*, containing about 30 acres, with a neat and well finished dwelling-house, with all other necessary out houses, and a good apple orchard. The above lately the property of *Capel & Osgood Hanbury*.

On *Wednesday* the 2d of *February* will be sold in the town of *Hampton*, three lots, whereon stands a two story brick house, with good compting and lodging rooms, and a good two story lumber house, formerly the property of —— *Oswell*.

On *Thursday* the 3d of *February* will be sold, one acre of land, whereon is a good store-house, and all necessary out buildings; it is a very good situation for a retail store, as it lies on the main road leading from *Hampton* to *York*, distant 10 miles from the former. the property of *Alexander & George Graham*. The whole of the above lands and tenements being escheated and becomes vested in the commonwealth

(4) MOSS ARMISTEAD, Escheator

WANTED at *Hunter*'s iron works, to whom suitable encouragement will be given, a masterly hand in a wire-mill; also nailers, card makers, and other artists in iron manufactures; where may be had, bar iron, nail rods, rolled hoops, plates and sheet iron, anchors, and a variety of other articles in the iron branch, with pots, kettles, and other castings.

(1f) ABNER VERNON.

☞ The best price will be given for old brass or copper, by applying to *Robert Nicolson* in this city.

WILLIAMSBURG, *January* 7, 1780.

RUN away from the subscriber, a likely well made negro fellow named HARRY, about 35 years old. He lived last year at *Mocox* island, near *Barrett*'s ferry, in *James City* county, and is probably lurking in the neighbourhood, or about this city. I will give ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS to any person who will deliver him to the subscriber.

(1) BURWELL STARKE.

TAKEN up in *Halifax* county, on *Banister* river, a spotted barow, with a short tail, marked with a crop and swallowfork in the left ear, a crop, slit, and underkeel in the right. Appraised to £1

NATHANIEL TERRY.

At a Court of Admiralty held at the capitol, in the city of Williamsburg, the 15th day of November 1779.

AN account of the rigging, tackle, &c. and cargo of the prize *Polly*, libelled in this court by *Arcout* and *Garrison* and others, being returned. It is ordered and decreed, that the marshal pay 19°33l. 19s 11d. being one half of the nett proceeds thereof, to the libellants for and in lieu of salvage, and retain the other half in his hands subject to the future order of the court, and that this sentence be published three times in the *Virginia* gazette.

Teste, WILLIAM ROBERTS, Register.

*** The above schooner whereof *Ebenezer Barker* was master, and *Raimund Rogers* of *Branford*, in *Connecticut*, owner, was captured in *August* last by the privateer *Hammond* of *New York*. (6)

TO be sold for ready money, at *Caroline* court-house, on the 2d *Thursday* in *February* (being court day) 3 negro men and a woman, belonging to the estate of *Nathaniel Cary*, deceased,

To be SOLD upon the premises, for ready money, on Thursday *the* 20th *of* January *next,*

FOUR hundred acres of land lying in the upper end of *Caroline* county, whereon is a pretty good dwelling-house and kitchen, being late the property of *Cunningham* and company

(1) E. PENDLETON, Jun Escheator.

To be SOLD on Tuesday *the* 18th *of* January *next, at the plantation whereon* Dorothy Fenton *lately lived, on* Chickahominy *river, in* New Kent,

ALL the stock of cattle, sheep, and hogs, a large quantity of corn fodder, and pease, seven or eight feather beds of the best kind well furnished, a large quantity of household and kitchen furniture, among which are the best of mahogany tables, &c. and many other things too tedious to mention. The sale will be for ready money. All the same time will be exchanged for negroes, the said plantation with 110 acres of land, pleasantly situated on the river, with every necessary building thereon. The said land may be purchased at any time before the day of sale by applying to *Robert Warren*, at *New Kent* court-house.

To be SOLD by the escheator for ready money, agreeable to act of Assembly, on Monday *the* 17th *of* January,

A TRACT of valuable land in *Ware* parish, Gloucester county, lying on *Ware* and *North* rivers, containing 1300 acres, which will be laid off in lots agreeable to law; also 112 negroes, with stocks of cattle, &c. And on *Saturday* the 22d of the said month, will be sold, a tract of land, containing 90 acres, in *Kingston* parish, county aforesaid, with stock of cattle, &c.

(4t) JOHN PEYTON, } Com'rs.
JAMES HUBARD, }

HANOVER county, *December* 23, 1779.

THE persons who have demands against the estate of Mr. *Thomas Usher*, formerly of *London*, merchant, which were not fully made out and settled (in a state of them reported to the former General Court) are now requested to furnish me with their claims and vouchers, that I may have them stated for the consideration of the High Court of Chancery. And as I had the misfortune to lose most of my books and papers by fire, some time ago, I entreat the several persons from whom I received, and to whom I paid money on account of Mr. *Usher*'s estate, to favour me with memorandums of the sums, and dates of the receipts and payments, and forward them by post or other convenient and speedy opportunities, that I may be able to render an account of them to the Court of Chancery, at the next session, according to the order of that court.

(1) PETER LYONS.

RUN away from the subscriber, in *May* last, a likely negro man, named HAMPTON. *Virginia* born 27 years of age, near 6 feet high, of a yellowish complexion, and goes very slovenly in his dress. I imagine he is lurking about *Williamsburg* or *Hampton*. The said slave is outlawed. A reward of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS will be given any person delivering the said negro to me in *Dinwiddie* county, 20 miles above *Petersburg*. (1) WILLIAM COUZENS.

An ACT to repeal and amend part of an act entitled An act to amend an act entitled an act for revising several publick warehouses for the inspection of TOBACCO, and for other purposes

WHEREAS the allowance heretofore made to the inspectors for inspecting tobacco hath been found insufficient, *Be it enacted by the General Assembly*, that over and above such former allowance, the inspectors shall be allowed the farther sum of three shillings for every hogshead of tobacco which shall be by them inspected, from and after the passing of this act, to be paid by the person for whom such tobacco shall be inspected. And for making an adequate compensation for their services to such inspectors for want of timely publication of the act passed in the last session of Assembly, for amending an act intitled *An act for reviving several publick warehouses for the inspection of tobacco*, have not received the sum of two dollars per hogshead for all tobacco by them inspected, in lieu of their former salaries; *Be it enacted*, that the Treasurer shall, and he is hereby authorized to pay to such inspectors, their full salaries as heretofore established, until the end of the last inspection; such inspectors accounting upon oath, for all monies by them collected by virtue of the before recited act. And where the same default hath been made in collecting the sum of 3 shillings per hogshead, for warehouse rent, by virtue of the before recited act, the inspectors who shall ship such tobacco passed in the commencement thereof, shall demand and receive the said sum of 3 shillings from the shipper, and account to the proprietors of their warehouses respectively for the same. And as the allowance made by the act of the last session of Assembly, for repairing, repacking, and turning up tobacco, is found inadequate to the trouble and expence attending that service; *Be it enacted*, that the inspectors shall have 4 shillings per hogshead therefor, to be allowed for repairing, repacking, opening, turning up, and marking nails, to be paid by the same persons directed in the said recited act, passed in the present session of Assembly.

And whereas it will be of advantage to the publick that a warehouse be established at Warwick, in the county of *Chesterfield*, to be received; *Be it enacted*, that the said inspectors shall, from and after the passing of this act, for the time is hereby revived; and the sum of money levied for the purpose of inspecting tobacco at Warwick aforesaid, shall be continued for the purpose, subject to the same regulations for securing inspectors and packers, payment of rent, and the salaries to inspectors, as the warehouses within this commonwealth: *And be it further enacted*, that the County Court of *Norfolk* do annually cause a return to be made every year to the Governour or Commander in chief for the time being, two proper persons for the purpose of reinspecting or repacking of tobacco in the said county, which tobacco shall be at the request of the proprietor or proprietors thereof, and the said persons shall be entitled to receive, for their trouble and service, each hogshead from the person

And whereas it appears that inspectors of tobacco are frequently obliged to cross ferries in order to attend their warehouses, the expence of which would greatly diminish the salaries allowed them; *Be it further enacted*, that from and after the passing of this act, inspectors of tobacco shall charge the reasonable ferriages necessarily incurred in going to and returning from their warehouses, in account over and above the salaries allowed

And be it further enacted, that the inspection warehouse in the county of *Stafford*, from and after the first day of *February* next

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CASTLE, GEORGE TAYLOR MASTER. LYING at *Broadway*, loading with tobacco for *Old France*, and will sail by the first convoy; the said ship will carry 20 carriage guns besides small arms, and 60 men. The owners of the vessel are willing and glad to take on board 100 to 150 hogsheads of tobacco on freight at one half for the return, or take goods in return, to be brought back at reasonable freight. Any person inclinable to ship tobacco is desired, and expected to give their notes or orders to the subscribers at *Petersburg*, by the 10th of *January* next. JOHN KING

Good encouragement will be given to good industrious able young men, who are willing to go the voyage in the above ship.

At a meeting of the President, and Professors under a statute of the 4th day of December 1779.

PRESENT,

JAMES MADISON, President and Professor of Natural Philosophy and Mathematicks;

George Wythe, Professor of Law and Police;

James M'Clurg, Professor of Anatomy and Medicine;

Robert Andrews, Professor of Moral Philosophy, the laws of Nature and of Nations, and of the Fine Arts;

Charles Bellini, Professor of Modern Languages

Resolved, that the lectures in the different schools shall commence for the ensuing year on the 17th of January. — For the encouragement of science,

Resolved, that a student on paying annually one thousand pounds of tobacco shall be entitled to attend any two of the following Professors; viz. of Law and Police; of Natural Philosophy and Mathematicks; and of Moral Philosophy, the Laws of Nature and of Nations, and of the Fine Arts; and that for fifteen hundred pounds of tobacco he shall be entitled to attend the said three Professors; the fees to be paid at that period of the year when the courses of lectures commence.

Resolved, that the former students shall enjoy a preferable claim to rooms until the 30th of January.

Resolved, that Mr. Andrews be appointed to execute the office of Bursar of the college.

The publick are assured that a person near the college, and well qualified to give satisfaction, has agreed to furnish breakfast and dinner to any number of students, not exceeding twenty, at the rate of 3000 pounds of tobacco per annum, and at the rate of 2500 pounds if the number be greater.

By order of the society,

ROBERT ANDREWS, Clerk.

WILLIAM & MARY college, *Dec.* 29. 1779.

* *See Virginia Gazettes of December 18, for the extracts of the statute.*

FOR SALE, PRICE ONE THOUSAND POUNDS

A LARGE carriage horse, 6 years old, a fine bay, full 16 hands high, very lengthy, and trots light and well. Any person wanting such a horse, may be supplied by applying to the subscriber in the upper end of *Caroline* county, near *Todd*'s ordinary. I shall not think myself confined to the above price, unless application is made within a month from the date hereof. ANTHONY THORNTON, Jun.

DECEMBER 15 1779.

I HAVE for sale a tract of land containing 180 acres, lying in *King William* county, near the *Pipingtree*, has upon it a good dwelling house 32 by 20 feet, 2 rooms below, and 2 above, a brick chimney, a good kitchen, and 2 quarters, and other necessary houses. Any person inclinable to buy, may know the terms by applying to *John Ayres*, living in *Amelia* county. (3)

THERE was found in the city of *Williamsburg* some time above the 20th of *December*, 1777, a neat small GOLD WATCH, supposed to belong to a Gentleman in *Petersburg*, and was kept there by spring following, to be delivered to the owner, but the Gentleman knew nothing of her, nor had he lost any. The person that carried her, shewed her to several Gentleman there, none of whom knowing any thing about her, was sent to the subscriber last *August*, to get her advertised, but being taken sick in the month of *September*, I had not an opportunity of advertising her before. Any person that have lost such a watch, may have her on proving his property, and applying to me in *Hanover* county, and paying the expense of advertising, &c. (4) JOHN FERGUSSON.

To be SOLD at the late dwelling place of Col. John Armistead, late of New Kent county, deceased, on Monday the 31st of January, if fair, otherwise the next fair day,

ABOUT 30 likely *Virginia* born slaves (among whom are a good blacksmith, and an excellent carpenter) together with the stocks of cattle, horses, hogs, and sheep; also the corn and fodder, with sundry other articles too tedious to mention. Twelve months credit (or longer if required) will be allowed for all sums over fifty pounds, upon the purchasers giving bond with approved security, to bear interest from the date. (1) W. ARMISTEAD, Adm.

By His Excellency THOMAS JEFFERSON, *Esq; Governor or Chief Magistrate of the commonwealth of Virginia.*

WHEREAS the General Assembly by their act intitled "An act for the protection and encouragement of commerce of aliens acknowledging the independence of the United States of America" have authorized the Executive to receive and admit into this commonwealth, a Consul or Consuls from any state which shall have acknowledged the independence of the United States of America, have given them jurisdiction to determine all controversies between the subjects or citizens of their own state, and exempted them from all personal services required from the citizens of this commonwealth, and further to prove their regard to justice and the interests of those in amity with them have provided a necessary mode of decision for all controversies arising between citizens of this commonwealth and subjects or citizens of any state so acknowledging their independency, and more effectual means for preventing desertions of sailors, seamen, or marines from the vessels of such states; And his Most Christian Majesty, our great and good ally, having been pleased after declaring and supporting our independence, further to manifest his willingness to cultivate friendship, commerce, and free intercourse with these states, by establishing Consuls to be resident therein, and hath appointed the Sieur Chevalier D'Arnoux, to exercise that office within this commonwealth. I have therefore thought fit, by and with the advice of the Council of State, to declare that the said Chevalier D'Arnoux is received and admitted within this commonwealth as Consul, on the part of his Most Christian Majesty, and that he is entitled to all the exemptions, prerogatives, and jurisdictions belonging to the said office; and hereby to notify and promulgate the premises; strictly charging and enjoining all good citizens of this commonwealth, and all subjects of his Most Christian Majesty, and others within the same, duly to respect the prerogatives and jurisdiction of the said Consul established by law, as they will answer the contrary at their peril.

GIVEN under my hand, and the seal of the commonwealth, this 30th day of December, *in the fourth year of the commonwealth, and in the year of our Lord,* 1779.

THOMAS JEFFERSON.

WILLIAMSBURG, *January* 1, 1780.

THE subscriber thinks proper to inform the publick, that from the fluctuation of prices, and unfixed value of money, he is under the necessity of charging for whatever he does or boots he for the future shall make, in country produce, to wit, corn, pork, &c. or in money at such advance as will bear a proportion to the prices of those articles—Gentlemen who please to favour him with their custom, may depend on having their work done as expeditiously and well as the nature of the times will admit of.

(1) M. GILBERT.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Jan.* 8, 1780.

TO be sold by the package or piece, *Irish* and coarse linens, linen, cotton, and silk handkerchiefs, chints do. calico, chints, coarse cloths, linen, muslin, cambrick, ribands, silks for winter gowns, mens and womens shoes, knives and forks, penknives, china cups and saucers, *West India* rum, brown and loaf sugar, hyson and bohea tea.—I continue to buy bills of exchange on *England*, *France*, *Holland*, or the *West Indies*. (tf) SAMUEL BEALL.

N B. I want to charter two prime sailing vessels for the *West Indies*.

TAKEN up, in *Prince Edward* county, near *Moore*'s ordinary, a white sows, marked with a crop and 2 slits in the left ear, and an undersheet in the right; also several shoats, unmarked, the most of them white. Posted, and appraised to 30l.

(1) GEORGE WALKER.

TAKEN up by the subscriber in *Fauquier* county, a bay horse, 5 years old, with a hanging mane and switch tail, about 14 hands high. Appraised to 100l. (1) ARMISTEAD CHURCHILL.

TAKEN up, in *Prince Edward* county, on *Harris*'s creek, a bay mare, about 13 or 14 years old, 4 feet 9 inches high, has on a new bell, tied with a rope appears to be branded, but cannot be made out. Appraised to 40l. (1) MARJORY MORAIN.